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Attorney Docket No. 15437-0547

(New Nonprovisional Applications Under 37 CFR § 1.53(b))

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith is the patent application of () application identifier or (X) first named inventor, Ronald A. Ten-Hove, et al., entitled MECHANISM FOR FACILITATING BACKTRACKING, for a(n):

| (X) | Original | Patent | App | lication. |
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| () | Continu | ing Application (prior application not abandoned): | | | | | |
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| | | of prior application No: Filed on: | | | | | |
| | () | A statement claiming priority under 35 USC § 120 has been added to the specification. | | | | | |
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| | (X) | Specification 54 Total Pages; (X) Drawing(s) 5 Total Sheets; (X) Cover Sheet 1 Page | | | | | |
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| | | () Incorporation by Reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the | | | | | |
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| | | application and is hereby incorporated herein by reference in its entirety for all purposes. | | | | | |
| | | () Signed Statement Deleting Inventor(s) Named in the Prior Application. (37 CFR § 163(d)(2)). | | | | | |
| | () | Power of Attorney. (X) Return Receipt Postcard. | | | | | |
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| | () | Preliminary Amendment. () Information Disclosure Statement and Form PTO-1449. | | | | | |
| | () | () Request and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) | | | | | |
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| | () A Certified Copy of Priority Documents (if foreign priority is claimed). | | | | | | |
| | () Applicant(s) is entitled to small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. | | | | | | |
| | () Statement(s) of Status as a Small Entity Filed in Prior Application, Status Still Proper and Desired. | | | | | | |
| | (X) Recordation of Assignment Cover Sheet (1 pg) and executed Assignment (3 pgs). | | | | | | |
| ` | V() | Other: | | | | | |

| CLAIMS AS FILED | | | | | |
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| FOR | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA | RATE | FEE | |
| Total Claims | 60 | 40 | \$18.00 | \$ 720.00 | |
| Independent Claims | 6 | 3 | \$84.00 | \$ 252.00 | |
| Multiple Dependent Cla | \$0.00 | | | | |
| Assignment Recording | Fee | | | \$40.00 | |
| Basic Filing Fee | \$740.00 | | | | |
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| Application Number | NYA | | | |
| Filing Date | October 18, 2001 | | | |
| First Named Inventor | Ronald A. Ten-Hove, et al. | | | |
| Examiner Name | NYA | | | |
| Group/Art Unit | NYA | | | |
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| Deposit Account Number 50-1302 | 105 | 130 | 205 | 65 | Surcharge – late filing fee or oath | |
| Deposit Account Name Hickman Palermo Truong & Becker, LLP | | 50 | 227 | 25 | Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet. | |
| 2. X Payment Enclosed: | 139 | 130 | 139 | 130 | Non-English specification | |
| Check Money Other | 112 | 920* | 112 | 920* | Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action | |
| 3. Applicant(s) is entitled to small entity status. | 113 | 1,840* | 113 | 1,840* | Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action | |
| See 37 CFR 1.27 FEE CALCULATION | | 110 | 215 | 55 | Extension for reply within first month | |
| 1. BASIC FILING FEE | 116 | 400 | 216 | 200 | Extension for reply within second month | |
| Large Entity Small Entity | 117 | 920 | 217 | 460 | Extension for reply within third month | |
| Fee Fee Fee Fee Description | 118 | 1,440 | 218 | 720 | Extension for reply within fourth month | |
| Code (\$) Code (\$) Fee Paid 101 740 201 370 Utility filing fee 740.00 | 128 | 1.960 | 228 | 980 | Extension for reply within fifth month | |
| 101 140 201 370 Others mining ice | 119 | 320 | 219 | 160 | Notice of Appeal | 1 |
| 106 330 206 165 Design filing fee | 120 | 320 | 220 | 160 | Filing a brief in support of an appeal | |
| 107 510 207 255 Plant filing fee 108 740 208 370 Reissue filing fee | 121 | 280 | 221 | 140 | Request for oral hearing | \vdash |
| 114 160 214 80 Provisional filing fee | 138 | 1,510 | 138 | 1,510 | Petition to institute a public use proceeding | |
| 114 100 214 00 Provisional ming lee | 140 | 110 | 240 | 55 | Petition to revive – unavoidable | |
| SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 740.00 | 141 | 1,280 | 241 | 640 | Petition to revive – unintentional | |
| 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES | 142 | 1,280 | 242 | 640 | Utility issue fee (or reissue) | |
| Fee from Extra Claims Below Fee Pald | 143 | 460 | 243 | 230 | Design issue fee | |
| Total Claims $60 -20^{-2} = 40 \times 18.00 = 720.00$ | 144 | 620 | 244 | 310 | Plant issue fee | |
| Independent 6 - 3**= 3 X 84.00 = 252.00 | 122 | 130 | 122 | 130 | Petitions to the Commissioner | |
| Multiple Dependent | 123 | 50 | 123 | 50 | Petitions related to provisional applications | |
| **or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below | 126 | 240 | 126 | 240 | Submission of information Disclosure Stmt | |
| Large Entity Small Entity Fee Fee Fee Fee Description Code (\$) Code (\$) | 581 | 40 | 581 | 40 | Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties) | 40.00 |
| 103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20 | 146 | 690 | 246 | 345 | Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a)) | |
| 102 84 202 42 Independent claims in excess of 3 | 149 | 690 | 249 | 345 | For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b)) | |
| 104 280 204 140 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid | Other fee (specify) | | | | | |
| 109 84 209 42 **Reissue independent claims over original patent | | ee (spec | шу) — | | | |
| 110 18 210 9 **Reissue claims in excess of 20 Other fee (specify) | | | | | | |
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